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MEMORANDUM FOR: (See Distribution)

FROM: Legislation Division
Office of Congressional Affairs

SUBJECT: House Floor Consideration of FY' 89 Intelligence
Authorization Bill

1. For your information, on 24 May 1988, the House Rules Committee granted a rule for House floor consideration of H.R. 4387, the Intelligence Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 1989. The rule is an "open" rule, providing for one hour of debate. It appears the bill will actually be brought to the floor on 26 May.

2. Stokes Testimony. Appearing before the Rules Committee to request the rule, Chairman Stokes of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) described the following items in the bill as "major" items from HPSCI's viewpoint: 1) the restriction on assistance to the Nicaraguan Resistance; 2) the provision creating a "field test" of special compensation provisions for the New York City Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); 3) the provision creating the position of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Intelligence; and, 4) the provision requiring the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency to submit certain EEO reports to the Congress.

3. Hyde Testimony. In his testimony, HPSCI Ranking Minority Member Hyde noted that although generally the Administration had no objection to the bill, there were some provisions in the bill (not further identified) which would require "fixing" in conference.

Possible Amendments

4. Ackerman - FBI/NYC Limits. In his testimony, Chairman Stokes noted that there will be an amendment offered by Representative Ackerman to place a ceiling on the lump sum payments made under the FBI's New York City "field test" program. Chairman Stokes indicated that HPSCI would accept this amendment.

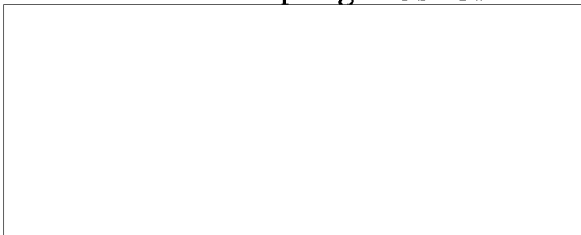
5. Declassification of POW/MIA Live Sighting Reports. HPSCI staff advises us that HPSCI may accept an amendment dealing with the declassification of intelligence reports on the subject of "live sightings" of POW's and MIA's in Southeast Asia.

6. Walker Drug Amendment. HPSCI staff also advises us that HPSCI may accept a version of the so-called "drug-free workplace" amendment being sponsored by Representative Walker.

7. Swindall Amendment. In the past, Representative Swindall has offered amendments to the intelligence authorization bill restricting the activities of Bloc diplomats in the United States. This year, we were informed, he may offer yet another. This year's amendment would give the FBI and/or the Secretary of Defense a "veto" over the siting of a foreign mission belonging to a Bloc or "terrorist" country. It would also further restrict the movement of Soviet/Bloc representatives to the United Nations.

8. DIA/NSA Tax Equalization Amendment. If the concurrence of the House Ways and Means Committee can be obtained, HPSCI also plans to offer in a package of "committee floor amendments" a provision which would make the tax treatment of certain benefits paid to overseas employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency equivalent to the tax treatment of similar benefits paid to CIA and Foreign Service overseas employees. This item was included in the Administration's version of the Fiscal Year 1989 bill as sent to Congress.

9. We will keep you informed on the progress of developments in this area.



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